FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3857 as Amended

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Bench Warrants

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3857, as amended, amends that Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 17-15-90 which provides penalties for failure to appear in court, under certain circumstances, when a person has been released on bond. The Bill further amends various other sections dealing with the period of time before a bond is forfeited for failure to appear and when a bench warrant shall be issued for that offense.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Judicial Department indicates this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Pursuant to Section 2-7-76 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, the Office of State Budget has surveyed members of the FIST Network. The responses will be forwarded upon receipt.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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